

Amendments to the Claims

1-3. (Cancelled)

4. (Currently amended) A method for treating a skin wound and for alleviating pain associated with a skin wound which consists of administering to an affected part of a patient having the skin wound an effective dose of a medicine containing as an active ingredient acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof, wherein said skin wound is selected from the group consisting of ~~traumata~~, infectious disease in surgery, postoperative wound, ~~temperature impairment~~, chemical impairment, radiation injury, and vessel and lymphangiopathy.

5. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 4, wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof contained in the medicine is 0.05% to 80% by weight.

6. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 5, wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof is 0.5% to 20% by weight.

7. (New) The method according to claim 5, wherein the concentration of acetylsalicylic acid or a pharmacologically acceptable salt thereof is 5 to 20% by weight.

8. (New) The method according to claim 4, wherein the skin wound is a postoperative wound.